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<b>Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal</b>  Address to: MS 313(c) Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	09/721,469-Conf. #3073
	Filing Date	November 22, 2000
	First Named Inventor	Takeshi Yamaguchi, et al.
	Art Unit	2653
	Examiner Name	P. W. Huber
	Attorney Docket Number	55,409-RCE (70904)

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☒ Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☒ Other Copy of IDS Citations (5 references); Copy of Japanese Office Action (5 pages), including English Translation (7 pages) (totaling 12 pages); and a Certificate of Express Mailing (1 page).

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 04-1105. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 04/14/2005 AWONDAF1 00000016 09721469

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:1801 790.00 DA

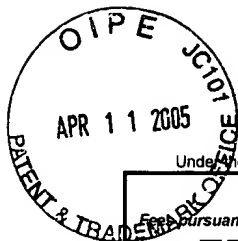
iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

<b>SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED</b>			
Signature		Date	April 11, 2005
Name (Print/Type)	George W. Hartnell, III	Registration No.	42,639

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<b>Effective on 12/08/2004.</b> Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).		<b>Complete if Known</b>	
<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> <b>For FY 2005</b>		Application Number	09/721,469-Conf. #3073
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Attorney Docket No.	55,409-RCE (70904)
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT</b>		<b>(\$)</b>	<b>920.00</b>

**METHOD OF PAYMENT** (check all that apply)

☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money Order ☐ None ☐ Other (please identify): \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 04-1105 Deposit Account Name: Edwards & Angell, LLP

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☒ Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayment of fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 ☒ Credit any overpayments

**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	<u>Fee (\$)</u> <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
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<u>Indep. Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	
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**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

<u>Total Sheets</u>	<u>Extra Sheets</u>	<u>Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
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**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)	
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 1464 Petition Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h)	130.00
1801 Request for continued examination (RCE)	790.00
	<b>Fees Paid (\$)</b>

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